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67395 7590 12/23/2008 GREENBERG TRAURIG, LLP 200 PARK AVE. P.O. BOX 677 FLORHAM PARK, NJ 07932			EXAMINER TYSON, MELANIE RUANO	
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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/722,945	Applicant(s) PRICE, JOHN J.	
	Examiner Melanie Tyson	Art Unit 3773	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Melanie Tyson. (3) Jackie Ho.

(2) Ralph Selitto. (4) ____.

Date of Interview: 16 December 2008.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Morton (1,558,037).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: A discussion was held regarding the annular space between the suture and needle, provided by a blind hole, in which the annular space contains adhesive from the bottom wall to the upper edge of the blind hole. An agreement with respect to proposed amendments for claim 1 was not reached during the interview.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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